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### [Translation — Traduction]

AGREEMENT' ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TOURISM BETWEEN THE AUSTRIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA

The Austrian Federal Government and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania,

Aiming to develop and enhance their relations,

Bearing in mind the importance of tourism for furthering mutual acquaintance and understanding between peoples,

Convinced of the role that the development of tourism can play in consolidating relations between the two States,

Desiring to promote close and lasting cooperation in the field of tourism for their mutual benefit.

On the basis of and under the legislation in force in the two States,

And on the basis of the Convention concerning Customs Facilities for Touring, adopted on the occasion of the United Nations Conference on Customs Formalities for the Temporary Importation of Private Road Motor Vehicles and for Tourism, of the Additional Protocol to the Convention concerning Customs Facilities for Touring, relating to the importation of tourist publicity documents and material,<sup>2</sup> and of the Customs Convention on the Temporary Importation of Private Road Vehicles,<sup>3</sup> all of which were signed at New York on 4 June 1954,

And in the spirit of the recommendations of the United Nations Conference on International Travel and Tourism, held at Rome in 1963,4

Have agreed as follows:

#### Article 1

The Contracting Parties shall devote special attention to the development and enhancement of their mutual relations in tourism and strive to promote such relations. To that end, they shall encourage cooperation between Austrian and Romanian tourist institutions, organizations and enterprises.

#### Article 2

Each Contracting Party shall promote group and individual travel by tourists from its territory to the territory of the other Contracting Party, even where such tourists come from third States.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into force on 15 May 1975, i.e., the sixtieth day after the date (15 March 1975) on which the Government of Romania had notified the Government of Austria of the completion of its required legal procedures, in accordance with article 11.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 276, p. 191.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, vol. 282, p. 249.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> United Nations Conference on International Travel and Tourism, Rome, 21 August-5 September 1963, Recommendations on International Travel and Tourism (E/CONF.47/18; United Nations publication, Sales No. 64.I.6).

#### Article 3

The Contracting Parties have already concluded an Agreement concerning abolition of the visa requirement for their nationals. In addition to the provisions of the said Agreement, they shall endeavour to facilitate and simplify all formalities in connection with travel by Austrian nationals to Romania and by Romanian nationals to Austria, as well as to remove any other obstacles to tourist travel for their nationals between the two States. This shall also apply to nationals of either of the two States who are normally resident in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

#### Article 4

The Contracting Parties shall, so far as possible, take action in the interest of tourist development to promote, expand, improve and coordinate mutual connections in all areas of transport — including transport along the Danube — and shall to that end also encourage and support cooperation contracts between the transport and travel agencies of their States.

#### Article 5

The Contracting Parties shall, so far as possible, promote and support publicity, the exchange of information and the exchange and distribution of publications in the field of tourism.

#### Article 6

The Contracting Parties shall support and promote reciprocal visits by radio, television and press reporters, as well as by experts in tourism, with a view to publicizing the tourist attractions of the Contracting State being visited.

#### Article 7

The Contracting Parties shall render each other support in the exchange of experts, trainees and information in the field of tourism, the hotel and catering industries and the planning of tourist facilities. They shall also, so far as possible, promote cooperation in the establishment of facilities and the supply of tourist equipment, as well as the work of enterprises with an interest in such activity.

#### Article 8

The Contracting Parties shall establish a Mixed Commission to monitor implementation of this Agreement, propose appropriate measures for such implementation and promote the exchange of experience in tourism. The Commission shall be convened as a rule every two years, alternately in the Republic of Austria and in the Socialist Republic of Romania, or, if necessary, on another date to be mutually agreed upon when so requested by one of the Contracting Parties.

#### Article 9

The Romanian Contracting Party has established a tourist publicity office in Vienna. If the Republic of Austria so wishes, the Socialist Republic of Romania shall permit and support the establishment of an Austrian tourist publicity office in its territory. The activity of such an Austrian publicity office shall be governed by the same conditions as govern the Romanian publicity office in Austria.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 661, p. 3.

#### Article 10

Payments arising from tourism between the Republic of Austria and the Socialist Republic of Romania shall be made in freely convertible currency under the payments arrangement between the two States in force each time.

#### Article 11

This Agreement shall enter into force on the sixtieth day after the date on which the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania informs the Austrian Federal Government that the conditions required under Romanian law have been fulfilled.

This Agreement is concluded for an indefinite period and shall cease to have effect six months after the receipt, through the diplomatic channel, of a written denunciation from one of the Contracting Parties.

DONE at Vienna on 12 December 1974, in two originals in the German and Romanian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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